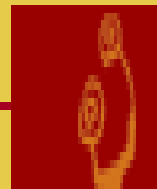
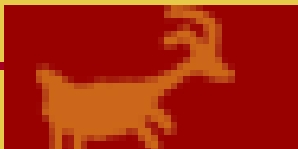
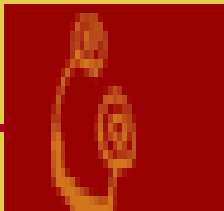
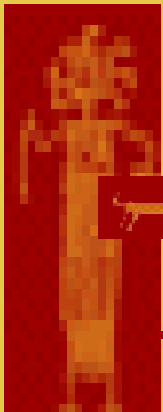


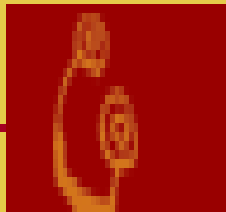
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# BLM AZ Solar Strategy

## Four Tracks

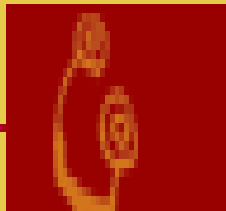
- ✕ Sonoran Solar Energy Project
- ✕ Processing 35 applications
- ✕ BLM Programmatic EIS – 3 Study Areas
- ✕ Restoration Design Energy Project



# Restoration Design Energy Project

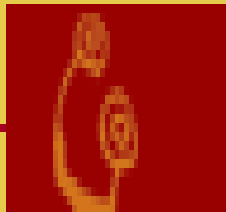


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# Restoration Design Energy – Unique Approach

- ✕ Bureau initiative to identify energy sites
- ✕ Public involvement throughout project
- ✕ State-wide perspective with all land ownerships considered
- ✕ Opportunity to capitalize on inherent advantages of “re-use”



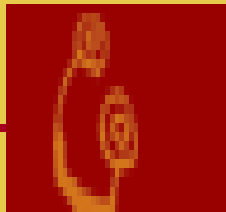
# Desired Outcomes

- ✧ Remediate or restore damaged lands for renewable energy development
- ✧ Design processes that can be used again and in other areas
- ✧ Provide opportunities for business and community development



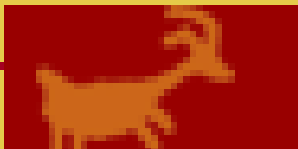
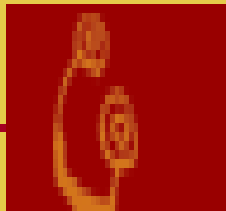
# Potential Benefits

- ✧ State-wide approach to renewable energy “footprint”
- ✧ Pristine landscapes not utilized
- ✧ Hazards removed /public safety improved
- ✧ Soil, water and air quality improved
- ✧ Broad public support for energy development

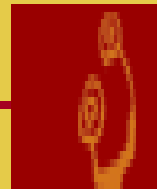
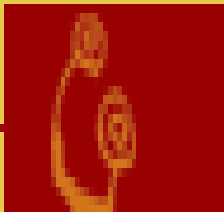
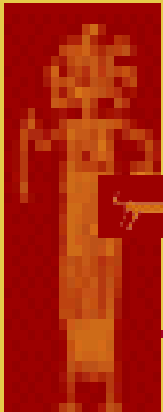


# Project Talley as of August 24

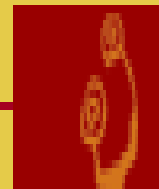
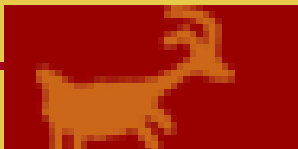
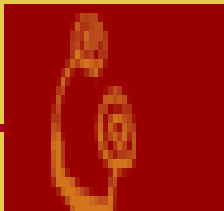
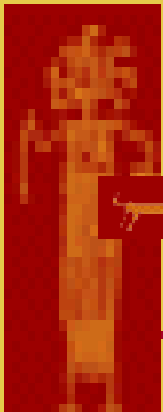
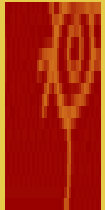
✕ 33 site proposals - ~ 25,000 acres



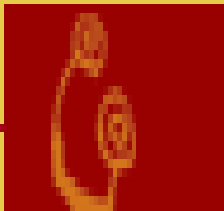
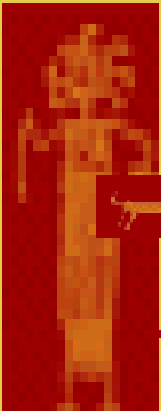
# Yuma Field Office Dateland Borrow Pit



# City of Phoenix Closed Landfill



# AZ State Lands Empire Farms



# **Communication and Outreach**

**AZ State Government**

**Local Government**

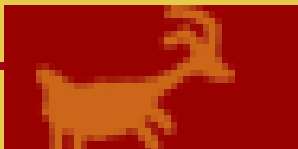
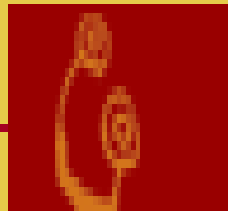
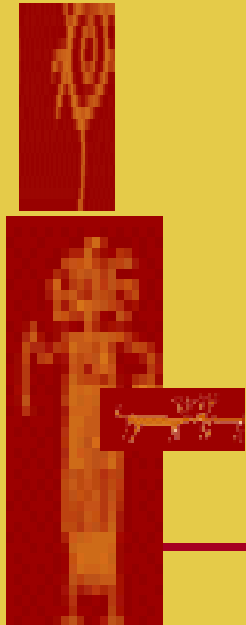
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**Interest Groups**

**Tribal Government**

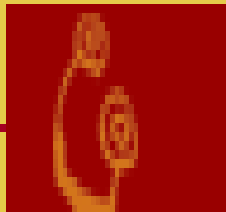
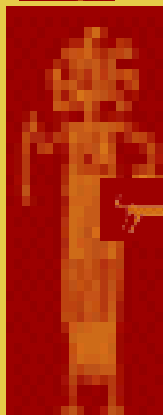
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**Industry and Business**



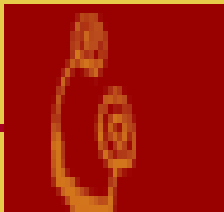
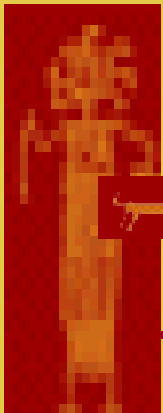
# Expressions of interest

- ✘ Energy Industry – Siting and savings
- ✘ Utility Companies – Public process for state renewable energy goals
- ✘ Local Government – In-fill and land re-use
- ✘ Public Support – Propose rather than oppose



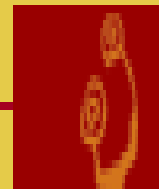
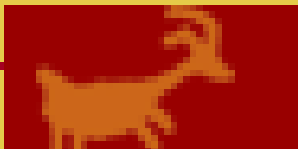
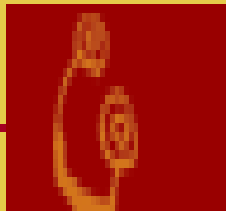
# Other possibilities ?

✕ Large mining operations



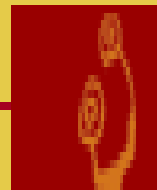
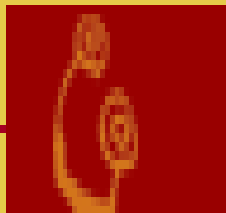
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## ✕ Master Planned Communities



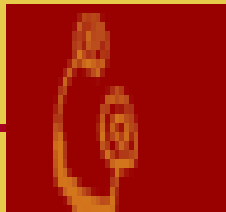
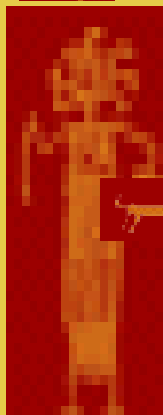
# Restoration Design Energy Project Next Steps

- ✧ Continue outreach for additional sites
- ✧ Evaluate site potential for renewable energy development
- ✧ Develop Decision Criteria and Protocol to evaluate future proposals
- ✧ Complete EIS and ROD for BLM-managed lands



# **DRAFT** Purpose Statement for EIS

*Remediate or Restore Selected Sites and (to) foster production of renewable energy at a good value for the taxpayer while providing economic opportunities for business and community development.*



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